

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES **Department of Mental Health**

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## **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

## SEEKING FEDERAL GRANT TO DEVELOP CONTINUITY PROGRAM

June 16, 2011

The Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH), as required under the Community Development Block Grant Program, is opening a public review and comment period for the proposal submitted by LACDMH Administrative Support Bureau, Business Continuity Section, for the development of continuity planning documents to ensure continued delivery of essential mental health services during a major disaster event. It is proposed to be funded through the Disaster Recovery Initiative 2008 Program, established through the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and will be administered by the State of California Community Development Block Grant Program.

Through this program, LACDMH may be allocated \$250,000 for continuity planning activities that will impact LACDMH facilities jurisdiction-wide, including all 77 directly-operated clinics and administrative offices as well as over 100 co-located sites. This grant will enable the timely development of the Business Impact Analysis, Vulnerability Assessment, Risk Analysis, Communications Plan and Vital Records Plan, which will provide the means to transition the current LACDMH Interim Continuity of Operations Guide into the LACDMH Continuity Plan.

The public review and comment period will run from June 23, 2011 through July 22, 2011. The documents under review will be posted on the LACDMH website <a href="http://dmh.lacounty.gov/News/announcements.html">http://dmh.lacounty.gov/News/announcements.html</a>, and hard copies are available from LACDMH Administrative Support Bureau (ASB), Continuity Section, Attention: Margaret Ayala, 550 S. Vermont Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Los Angeles, CA 90020.

Please e-mail your input, recommendations and comments to businesscontinuity@dmh.lacounty.gov. You can also mail written comments to Margaret Ayala, 550 S. Vermont Avenue, ASB/2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Los Angeles, CA 90020, or submit by fax to (213) 480-0671.

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